

LISTING OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-30 (canceled)

31. (previously presented) A compound selected from those of formula (I):

$$R_1$$
 O X R_2 O R_5 R_4 R_3 (I) ,

5 wherein

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- R₁ represents alkyl,
- R₂ represents hydrogen, alkylcarbonyl, haloalkylcarbonyl or arylcarbonyl,

• Y represents
$$NR_7$$
, $N_{R_7}^+$ or $N_{R_7}^+$ $N_{R_7}^ N_{R_7}^+$ $N_{R_7}^+$ $N_{R_7}^+$

wherein R_7 and R'_7 , which may be identical or different, each represent alkyl and Z^- represents a halogen anion,

- R₃ represents hydroxy or alkoxy,
- R₄ and R'₄ each represent hydrogen or together form an additional bond, or R₃ and R₄ together form oxo when X is fluorine, chlorine or iodine, or =N-OR₈ (wherein R₈ represents hydrogen or alkyl),
- R₆ represents hydroxy, alkylcarbonyloxy (wherein the alkyl moiety may be substituted by hydroxy, alkoxy, carboxy or alkyloxycarbonyl) or alkoxy,
- R_5 and R'_5 each represent hydrogen or together form an additional bond, or R_5 and R_6 together form oxo, =N-OR₉ or =N-NR₁₀R₁₁ (wherein R₉, R₁₀, and R₁₁, which may be the same or different, each represent hydrogen or alkyl),

• and X represents halogen,

it being understood that:

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the compound of formula (I) may not represent 1-bromo-4-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-6-one,

the term "alkyl" denotes an alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms which may be linear or branched, and the term "alkoxy" denotes an alkyloxy group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms which may be linear or branched,

its enantiomers and diastereoisomers, and addition salts thereof with a pharmaceutically-acceptable acid or base.

- 32. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein R_1 represents methyl.
- 33. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein R₂ represents hydrogen.
- 34. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein R₂ represents alkylcarbonyl.
- 35. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein R₂ represents ethylcarbonyl.
 - 36. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein Y represents NR₇.
 - 37. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein Y represents N = N + N
- 38. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein X represents chlorine.
 - 39. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein X represents bromine.

- **40.** (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein R₃ represents alkoxy.
- 41. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein R₅ represents hydrogen.
- **42.** (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein R₆ represents OH.
- 43. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein R_6 represents alkylcarbonyloxy.
 - **44.** (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein R₅ and R₆ together form oxo.
 - **45.** (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, wherein R₅ and R₆ together form —N—OH
- 46. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, which is selected from (9α,13α)-1 10 chloro-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-4,6-diol and addition salts thereof with a pharmaceutically-acceptable acid or base.
 - **47.** (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, which is selected from (9α,13α)-1-chloro-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-4-(propionyloxy)-7,8-didehydromorphinan-6-yl propionate and addition salts thereof with a pharmaceutically-acceptable acid or base.
- 48. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, which is selected from (9α,13α)-1-bromo-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-4,6-diol and addition salts thereof with a pharmaceutically-acceptable acid or base.
 - 49. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, which is selected from $(9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -1-bromo-4-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-6-one oxime and addition salts thereof with a pharmaceutically-acceptable acid or base.

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- 51. (previously presented) A compound of Claim 31, which is selected from (9α,13α)-1-chloro-4-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-6-one N-oxide and addition salts thereof with a pharmaceutically-acceptable acid or base.
- **52.** (currently amended) A compound of Claim 31, having the configuration shown by formula (I'):

$$R_1$$
 O X R_2 O R_3 H Y R_4 R_4 R_4 R_4 R_5 R_4 R_5 R_4 R_5 R_4 R_5 R_5 R_4 R_5 R_5 R_4 R_5 R_5 R_5 R_7 $R_$

$$R_1$$
 O X R_2 O R_5 R_4 R_3 R_4 R_3 (I')

and addition salts thereof with a pharmaceutically-acceptable acid or base.

53. (previously presented) A method for treating a living animal body afflicted with a condition selected from amnesia and deficiencies of memory, comprising the step of administering to the living animal body an amount of a compound of Claim 31 which is effective for treatment of the condition.

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- 54. (previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition, comprising as active principal an effective amount of a compound of Claim 31 together with one or more pharmaceutically-acceptable excipients or vehicles.
- 55. (previously presented) A method for treating a living animal body afflicted with a condition selected from amnesia and deficiencies of memory associated, comprising the step of administering to the living animal body an amount of a compound selected from those of formula (Ia):

$$R_1$$
 O R_2 O R_3 R_4 R_4 R_4 R_5 R_4 R_5 R_4 R_5 R_4 R_5 R_5 R_4 R_5 R_5 R_5 R_6 R_7 R_7

wherein

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- R₁ represents alkyl,
- R₂ represents hydrogen, alkylcarbonyl, haloalkylcarbonyl or arylcarbonyl,

• Y represents
$$NR_7$$
, $N R_7$ or $N R_7$ Z^-

wherein R_7 and R'_7 , which may be identical or different, each represent alkyl and Z^- represents a halogen anion,

- R₃ represents hydroxy or alkoxy,
- R₄ and R'₄ each represent hydrogen or together form an additional bond, or R₃ and R₄ together form oxo or =N-OR₈ (wherein R₈ represents hydrogen or alkyl),
- R₆ represents hydroxy, alkylcarbonyloxy (wherein the alkyl moiety may be substituted by hydroxy, alkoxy, carboxy or alkyloxycarbonyl) or alkoxy,

• R₅ and R'₅ each represent hydrogen or together form an additional bond, or R₅ and R₆ together form oxo, =N-OR₉ or =N-NR₁₀R₁₁ (wherein R₉, R₁₀, and R₁₁, which may be the same or different, each represent hydrogen or alkyl),

it being understood that:

the term "alkyl" denotes an alkyl group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms which may be linear or branched and

the term "alkoxy" denotes an alkyloxy group having 1 to 6 carbon atoms which may be linear or branched,

its enantiomers and diastereoisomers, and addition salts thereof with a pharmaceuticallyacceptable acid or base,

which is effective for treatment of the condition.

- **56.** (previously presented) The method of Claim 55, wherein the compound of formula (Ia) is sinomenine.
- 15 **57.** (canceled)

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- 58. (canceled)
- 59. (previously presented) The method of Claim 55, wherein the compound of formula (Ia) is selected from:
- 20 (9α,13α)-4-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-6-one hydrazone;

 $(7\alpha,9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -4-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methylmorphinan-6-one;

 $(7\beta,9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -4-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methylmorphinan-6-one;

 $(9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-6-oxo-7,8-didehydromorphinan-4-yl propionate;

 $(9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -3,4,7-trimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-6-one;

 $(9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -4-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-6-one oxime;

 $(9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-4,6-diol;

(9α,13α)-4-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-6-one Novide;

 $(9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -6-amino-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methylmorphinan-4-ol;

 $4-\{[(9\alpha,13\alpha)-4-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-6-yl]-oxy\}-4-oxobutanoic acid;$

 $(9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-4-(propionyloxy)-7,8-didehydromorphinan-6-yl propionate;

 $(9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -17-benzyl-4-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-17-ium-6-one bromide;

 $(9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -17-ethyl-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-17-ium-4,6-diol bromide;

 $(9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -17-ethyl-4-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-17-ium-6-one bromide;

(9α,13α)-4-(benzoyloxy)-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-6-yl benzoate;

 $(9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -4-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-6-yl benzoate; and

 $(9\alpha,13\alpha)$ -6-hydroxy-3,7-dimethoxy-17-methyl-7,8-didehydromorphinan-4-yl benzoate.

60. (previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising as active principle an effective amount of a compound selected from those of formula (Ia):

$$R_1$$
 O R_2 O R_5 R_4 R_3 R_4 R_3 R_4 R_3

wherein

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• R₁ represents alkyl,

• R₂ represents hydrogen, alkylcarbonyl, haloalkylcarbonyl or arylcarbonyl,

• Y represents
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, N or N R_7 or N R_7 Z

wherein R_7 and R'_7 , which may be identical or different, each represent alkyl and Z^7 represents a halogen anion,

• R₃ represents hydroxy or alkoxy,

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- R₄ and R'₄ each represent hydrogen or together form an additional bond, or R₃ and R₄ together form oxo or =N-OR₈ (wherein R₈ represents hydrogen or alkyl),
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its enantiomers and diastereoisomers, and addition salts thereof with a pharmaceutically-acceptable acid or base,

together with one or more pharmaceutically-acceptable excipients or vehicles.

61. (previously presented) The method of Claim 53, wherein the living animal body is a human.

62.	(previously presented) The method of Claim 55, wherein the living animal body is a
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